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Sir:

We wish to be made of record the following reference:

German Patent No. DE 41 11 918 issued October 01, 1992;
German Patent No. DE 43 15 494 issued September 29, 1994;
German Patent No. DE 691 05 375 issued April 20, 1995;
German Patent No. DE 195 46 831 issued June 05, 1996;
German Patent No. DE 196 20 885 issued November 27, 1997;
German Patent No. DE 196 54 837 issued June 25, 1998 and
German Patent No. DE 197 36 231 issued March 02, 2000.

It is respectfully requested that these references (copies and English language abstracts enclosed) be placed in the Patent Office file for the above-identified patent for interested members of the public in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(I).

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